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E. O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJ: STEADFAST SUMMIT-CANCELLATION OF BELGIAN FONMIN VISIT-  
STATE OF HEALTH OF ALGERIAN FONMIN BOUTEFLIKA

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH ME ON SEPTEMBER 10, BELGIAN AMBASSADOR  
REPORTED TO ME THAT GOA HAD ASKED HIM TO POSTPONE THE VISIT OF  
BELGIAN FONMIN SIMONET TO ALGIERS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR SEP-  
TEMBER 19.

2. CITING DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PROTOCOL MOHAMED LAALA AS HIS SOURCE,  
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THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR SAID GOA GAVE AS REASONS FOR POSTPONEMENT  
(A) DAMASCUS STEADFAST STATE SUMMIT MEETING SCHEDULED TO BEGIN  
SEPTEMBER 20 AND (B) SERIOUS ILLNESS OF ALGERIAN FONMIN BOUTEFLIKA.

3. WITH RESPECT TO BOUTEFLIKA ILLNESS, WE HAVE HAD UNCONFIRMED  
RUMORS FOR PAST MONTHS. AN INDICATION OF ACCURACY OF THIS REPORT  
COULD BE INCREASING FOREIGN AFFAIRS RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRESIDENTIAL

ADVISOR SLIMANE HOFFMAN. IF BOUTEFLIKA DOES NOT ATTEND OPENING  
SESSION OF UNGA AS HE HAS IN THE PAST, THIS WOULD FURTHER TEND TO  
CONFIRM THE REPORT. HAYNES

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